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# Lighting up Newton Robinson



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At dusk, the lights came on.



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Kids decorate a kid-sized tree, while their parents and grandparents decorate a large live tree, at the Newton Robinson tree-decorating and lighting event.

### MIRIAM KING Bradford Times

Newton Robinson's unofficial 'Mayor' Tyler Philip and his 'council' brought their community together for another successful special event, on Nov. 28 - the official Newton Robinson tree-lighting.

Residents from the tiny hamlet on County Rd. 27 and the surrounding rural area came out to a decorating party on Saturday afternoon, to trim a large evergreen on the southwest corner of 27 and the 10th Line.

They used a neighbour's 'cherryripper' to drape the tree with lights, and place a star on top - then decorated the lower branches by hand. Children had their own, smaller evergreen to decorate, hung with lights and Christmas balls.

In the true spirit of community, neighbours introduced themselves to each other, as they enjoyed hot chocolate, coffee, apple cider, home-made soup and home-baked treats, and Christmas music played in the background.

The idea of a "Newton Robinson Council" was the brainchild of long-time area resident Peter Ellis, who hoped that the group would revitalize the community, and create new connections and friendships through special events. In addition to the tree-lighting, the group has held a very successful Halloween party and wagon ride, and has plans for a community Christmas dinner.

At dusk on Saturday, the Newton Robinson community gathered to sing Christmas carols, and light up their tree.

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# Approving the budget

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Bradford Times

Bradford West Gwillimbury council has approved the 2016 Municipal Property Tax Levy of \$30.612,780, a Special Capital Levy of \$2.056 million, and a Capital Budget of \$379,574,490 (to come almost entirely from Development Charges, Reserves and the Early Payment Agreement with residential developers, although not all of the capital projects will go ahead in 2016).

The "blended" property tax increase, combining library board, police services, Provincial Education Levy, and the 2% increase in the County of Simcoe Levy, will come to 1.77% - or a \$71 increase for the "average" home.

Before the vote, Councilor Gary Baynes made another

effort to divert some of the money allocated to reserves, to offset the increase.

During budget talks, council had agreed to take \$150,000 from supplementary taxation - assessment added during the year - to reduce the current tax burden. Baynes wanted council to increase that to \$280,000, or half of the supplementary taxation, to cut the tax increase to 1.5%.

"On behalf of the taxpayers... I ask my fellow councillors to recognize the debate," Baynes said, trying to reopen the debate.

Councillor Gary Lamb said he had supported using the \$150,000 as "a fair compromise," but opposed any further reduction in the money going into reserves. "We're 40 years behind in our capital requirements," he said, urging council to "take a little, put it into where

we can improve the infrastructure.... We have to make sure we keep something back. If we get a winterman break, a sinkhole, we need to be able to respond."

Deputy Mayor James Leduc agreed, putting the blame for the tax increase on the county's 2% hike, while the municipality kept its increase to well under 1%, despite service enhancements. "I'm proud of this budget. It's one of the best budgets I've developed in the last two terms... I think we did a fine job."

The budget includes the hiring of key staff in IT and Asset Management, and two additional firefighters, providing better round-the-clock response to emergency calls.

"I thought we made some pretty strategic hires. The community got their money's worth in this budget," said Councilor Mark Contos. He pointed out

that money set aside in reserves "goes towards building this community," if council doesn't set aside the funds, "where does this money come from? Staff has already told us we're drawing more from reserves than we're putting in."

"As a resident I don't want to see any (tax) increase," said Councilor Raj Sandhu, but as an elected official, with the responsibility to ensure services, "we need to save for expenditures... knowing what we know, we have to have spend money."

The budget was approved, 8 to 1 - with Councilor Baynes voting against. A bylaw setting the tax rate will come forward at a future date.

Council also approved the \$5.669 million water and \$5.107 million wastewater budgets, resulting in a 3.4% increase in the combined user rate for those on town services.

## Menorah lighting ceremony

Jewish Bradford is happy to announce a Menorah lighting ceremony on the first night of Chanukah on Sunday, Dec. 6, at 7 p.m. in front of the Bradford West Gwillimbury Public Library at 425 Holland St. West. The Menorah lighting will be followed by a program and refreshments in the Zima

Room. BWG Mayor Rob Keffler will bring greetings from the town. For more information contact Rabbi Yosef Y. Nakkari at [ynakkari@gmail.com](mailto:yjnakkari@gmail.com) or 647-455-8770.

The 9 Menorah will then be on display in front of the courthouse, for the remainder of the eight-day festival of lights.

## Council Briefs

### Town buying old high school

Bradford West Gwillimbury council, meeting in a closed-door session on Dec. 1, has voted to purchase the former Bradford High School at 28 Queen St., from the Simcoe County District School Board. The building, constructed in the 1920s in a distinctive architectural style, has been designated a heritage site. The agreed-upon price for the building, which until recently was part of the old Fred C. Cook Public School, is \$501,000.

The purchase, unanimously approved by Council in open session, was described as a "strategic acquisition" by Mayor Rob Keffler.

### Council meet and greet

Celebrate the season... Bradford West Gwillimbury Mayor and council invite the community to a casual meet and greet in the lobby of the Bradford Public Library on Tuesday, Dec. 15, from 5:30 to 7 p.m. Seasonal refreshments will be served. The final council meeting of the year follows at 7 p.m.

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HAVE A MERRY CHRISTMAS & ALL THE BEST IN 2016!

### CHOCOLATE CHUNK SHORTBREAD

Cream together until very light: 2 cups butter • 1 cup fruit sugar in a separate bowl, stir together 3 cups all purpose flour • 1/4 cup Rice flour. Beat into butter and sugar mixture. Stir in 1 cup semi-sweet chocolate chunks • 1 cup toasted pecan pieces. Mound cookies on parchment paper. Bake at 350 degrees F. for 15-20 min. or until lightly brown. Cool on wire rack and lightly dust with icing sugar. For Gluten Free Cookies, substitute all purpose flour with the GF Multi Blend Flour Mix and 1/2 cup sweet rice flour for 1/4 cup Rice Flour.

### SHARON'S WHIPPED SHORTBREAD

Easy but oh so delicious and just in time for the busy holiday season. Whip together for 15 minutes: 1 lb. butter • 1/2 cup corn starch • 1 cup icing sugar

Add 3 cups all purpose flour slowly while beating. Put on parchment paper on a cookie sheet about 2" apart, flatten with fork dipped in cold water. Bake at 350F. for 15 minutes (oven rack should be near top of oven).



### CHOCOLATE KISSES

This recipe is a regular recipe and is GLUTEN FREE  
Cream together: 2 Tbsp. Butter • 1/2 cup peanut butter • 1 tsp. Vanilla • 1 cup icing sugar

Add: 1/2 cup chopped glazed cherries • 1/2 cup chopped raisins • 1 cup chopped nuts, and 1 cup fine coconut. Mix well. Roll into small balls and chill.

### COATING

Combine: 5 squares semi-sweet chocolate squares, melted • 1 1/2 inch square piece of parawax, broken into small pieces. When both are melted, stir and dip balls into chocolate and swirl to coat evenly.

For easy handling, place each ball on fine skewer-dunk into the melted chocolate allow to drip, then place on sheet of wax paper or foil to set. Decorate with a piece of cherry or drizzle white chocolate over each.

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# Opinion

## Point of View

# Sober second thought

What are they on? The province is considering allowing medical marijuana users with a prescription to light up or e-vape the drug anywhere they choose? Including restaurants, playgrounds and malls? As long as alcohol isn't being served? While those who have been prescribed medical marijuana certainly have the right to access their medicine, why on earth should the rest of us be exposed? I have no desire to take anyone else's medication, whether it's an analgesic, medical marijuana or an aspirin - nor should I be forced to inhale someone else's fumes, medicinal or otherwise. Nor should co-workers. Nor should children.

Surely there's a solution, that infringes on neither the patient's right to access a medication that offers real relief for a wide range of conditions, from nausea and vomiting in cancer patients to chronic pain, nor the right of others to carry out their business, to dine or to access

recreational facilities without breathing in second-hand smoke, medicinal or otherwise.

If it's not possible to accommodate the patient in a well-ventilated, separate area; if it's not practical for the patient to go out and sit in their own (parked) vehicle, to light up; then we'd suggest marijuana oil, or even a solution that dates back to the 1960s: the marijuana cookie or brownie option. It's portable, easily consumed in public, and smoke-free. And as long as it's kept as secure as any other prescription drug, it poses no risk or hazard to anyone else.

Deputy Health Minister Dipika Damerla has said that employers and restaurant owners can choose to ban marijuana smoking or e-vaping on their premises, if it is disturbing to others - putting the responsibility for enforcing a poorly-thought-out regulation onto individual business owners.

Now the Ontario government has announced that it is re-thinking the exemption. Sober second thought?

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## Holiday window decorating contest



MIRIAM KING, BRADFORD TIMES

Fondant Christmas village, with shortbread snowflakes and Christmas trees, in the window of Sweet B's Cakes and Confectionary. Dec. 4 is the final day to cast a ballot for People's Choice, in the Bradford Board of Trade's Holiday Window Decorating Contest. Twenty-six businesses in Bradford have entered. Prize is \$500 for first place, \$250 for second place, in both the Judges' Choice and People's Choice voting.

## Letters to the Editor

### LOCAL HERO

To the editor: Back in July, Antero Silva was leaving his Century 21 real estate office on Holland Street West in Bradford, when he looked down and found some money. Not a quarter or a loonie, but \$615.

He immediately turned the find in to South Simcoe Police at South Division, on Melbourne Drive. Someone was missing a large sum of money, and he wanted it returned to the owner. If not, he wanted to donate it to charity.

After 90 days, South Simcoe Police Property manager Nancy Morrison called Silva: with no owner located, the money could be returned to the finder. True to his word, Antero Silva came in and showed police a cheque, made out to the Helping Hand Food Bank, for \$650 - not only donating the found money, but adding a little of his own.

South Simcoe Police salute a local hero.

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### A BREATH OF FRESH AIR

To the editor: I wanted to let you know that your editorial, On guard against prejudice, was a breath of fresh air. I thoroughly enjoyed reading it. I attended both the Andy Rietl talk, and the Tour for Humanity presentations during Holocaust Education Week in Bradford, because I felt they were both important events that Muslims also need to support.

On that note, I had invited our local Imam to the talk, which he attended along with many youth members of our

community. Our presence at these events was an indication that we stand alongside our Canadian Brothers and Sisters against racism, terrorism, and anyone who seeks to divide us.

As members of the Ahmadiyya Muslim community, we are not afraid of the recent backlash against Muslims. Yes, we have been advised to be vigilant and aware, but not afraid, as we know very well that the vast majority of Canadians are not racists. In fact, I felt most people I encountered in my day-to-day activities in Bradford were trying to be extra nice! They would ask me if I had encountered any 'bated' and I am happy to report that I have not - although, in response to a backlash against Muslims, we are reaching out to our local communities by offering Open Houses at mosques, Quran exhibitions and focus groups, across Canada. Please come out and find out for yourself what the Quran really says about terrorism; you will be surprised!

You mentioned that the community in Peterborough had come together for the Muslims who had their mosque burnt. Did you know that the local Jewish community came to their aid, and offered their synagogue to the Muslims to use for their prayers? This is Canada. We are very different from Europe and the U.S. We are united.

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# St. John's land sale for seniors' housing

**Bradford** – Trustees for St. John's Presbyterian Church have concluded a deal to sell a northern portion of the church property to Bekerman Properties Inc., to build a seniors' housing complex.

"This is an exciting step forward," said Dale Béasse of Bekerman. "We are pleased to be able to address such a critical need in the community with a beautiful facility that will employ up to 80 people and include around 130 apartments, with full-service living, including fantastic prepared food, medical and support staff, entertainment and recreation, and other amenities. This is a place for seniors to 'unretire' and live out their golden years in comfort, community and security."

The proposed facility will include apartments with washrooms and kitchens, communal living spaces, entertainment facilities such as a theatre, a barbershop and salon, chapel, fitness centre, and on-site medical support when needed. The facility will offer assistance to seniors, as needed. In a friendly community-based living environment. There will be a bus service.

Rental rates will be fair market value, inclusive of the wide array of services offered. "It's really like living in a high-end, all-inclusive hotel," Béasse explained.

Rev. Dr. Daniel Scott said the congregation is "thrilled to be able to serve the community in this way. St. John's has

been serving our community since 1819. We are pleased to provide a means to help address seniors' housing, which is a critical need in our town," and has been identified by the mayor and council as a strategic objective.

Following the sale of the church lands to Bekerman, the approximately \$32 million development will move forward, looking to work with the municipality to reduce some of the costs associated with development, to meet local needs.

The deal between St. John's and Bekerman Properties was signed on Nov. 19, a special committee of the church will explore options for the use of the revenues.



St. John's Presbyterian Church trustee Edgar Lloyd, right, inks land deal with Dale Béasse of Bekerman Properties, at the church.

## Bradford Legion celebrates 65 years

Bradford Branch 521 of the Royal Canadian Legion was founded in December of 1950. The legion will celebrate its **65th anniversary** this Saturday, Dec. 5 from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m., with a 1950s-themed party, featuring a DJ, '50s decor,

and light snacks. All members and their families, friends and the community at large are invited to come out and celebrate a milestone at the Legion Hall, 115 Back St. in Bradford.

**Friday Night Social Time.**

Every Friday at 6 p.m. at the Bradford Branch of the Royal Canadian Legion, 115 Back St. in Bradford, enjoy dinner for a moderate fee, followed by music and camaraderie. Don't forget - on the first Friday of the month, enjoy kara-

oke with Bob Serran, starting at 8 p.m. The public is welcome to attend. No cover charge. For information, call the legion at 905-775-5025.

**The legion is here for Canada's vets.** There is support

available for veterans and their spouses, whether at home, or in a nursing home or care facility. You don't have to be a legion member to ask for assistance. Contact Veteran Services Officer Ron Harmer at 705-775-4919.

## Syrian refugee fundraiser

A Bradford interdenominational group, known as BRIDG, is now raising the funds needed to bring a Syrian family of 11, currently in a refugee camp in Lebanon, to Canada.

There will be a major community fundraising event on Friday, Dec. 11 at the Holy Martyrs of Japan Parish Hall from 7 to 11 p.m., featuring food, refreshments, a silent auction, great guest speakers, and music by local musicians, Paul Rambold, and the band, BonAccord.

Silent Auction items include Canadian artwork, autographed

sports memorabilia, giftware, appraised jewellery and more - and there will be a "surprise" live auction. Frank "Flowers" Ferragine is confirmed as a guest.

Tickets are \$20 per person, \$35 per couple. For tickets, to donate an item for the Silent Auction or to learn how the community can help welcome a family escaping from life in a refugee camp, please contact Rev. Jim Keenan at 905-751-5335 or email revkeenan@gmail.com.

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### Regular Meetings of Council & Committee of the Whole

- Tues. Dec 15 @ 7:00 p.m. - BWG Library & Cultural Centre, 425 Holland St. W., 2nd Room

### Board/Committee

#### Heritage Committee

- Mon. Dec 7 @ 6:30 p.m. BWG Engineering Services, 305 Barrie St. Boardroom

#### Library Board

- Mon. Dec 14 @ 7:00 p.m. BWG Library & Cultural Centre, 425 Holland St. W., Boardroom

#### Police Services Board

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Mayor Keffler

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**BWG Public Library - main lobby**  
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# An increase in the cost of policing

MIRIAM KING  
Bradford Times

The Bradford West Gwillimbury-Innisfil Police Services Board has approved a 2016 South Simcoe Police budget - including the operating budget of \$16.345 million, representing an increase of about \$630,000 over 2015, or 3.98%.

The increase was slightly offset by an increase in Court Security Funding from the municipalities, reduc-

ing the year-over-year increase to 3.60%.

Almost every line in the operating budget has seen an increase for 2016 - with the exception of revenues, which declined by \$71,333.

Some of the highest increases have come in Traffic and Marine - up by \$157,346, including \$80,000 to keep the Police Marine vessel Wardrop II afloat for another season; and \$151,263 for criminal investigations.

What appears to be an increase of

\$345,558 for the Community Services Bureau is actually just a reshuffling of line items - combining Community Services such as the K-9 unit and schools programs into a new unit, that will have a higher profile.

The police have also submitted a capital budget of \$760,210, an increase of \$164,000 over 2015. The bulk of that funding (\$433,210) is required for Traffic and Marine.

The idea is to start setting aside a capital reserve, for known expendi-

tures down the road, said Deputy Chief Andrew Fletcher. "Our radio infrastructure is going to need replacement next year, the boat needs replacement the year after... We're trying to smooth out the expenditures over the next five years."

Fletcher pointed out that South Simcoe is looking at 14% growth in population, and therefore demand in policing services, over the next five years.

BWG Mayor Rob Keffler supported the budget. "I am confident that the 3.98% increase in the police operating budget can be justified by the growth our municipality has experienced," the mayor said. "When 3% growth is taken into account (this year), the police budget should impact the average household in the 1% range. This is after two years of finding efficiencies and actual reductions in the cost of policing per household."

## Police warn, lock it or lose it

MIRIAM KING  
Bradford Times

"Tis the season for hustle and bustle, holiday errands, and shopping, to find the perfect present for everyone on your list.

Police just want to make sure the season doesn't turn into a bonanza for thieves.

South Simcoe Police are once again participating in the Ontario Association of Chiefs of Police Lock It or Lose It Campaign, this time with the added message that it isn't enough just to lock your vehicle doors. Police are urging residents to "Lock it Down" - and make sure that valuables, including Christmas presents, are not in plain sight.

The campaign is a crime prevention program that encourages drivers and passengers to take precautions to protect their vehicles and contents from theft, particularly during the holiday season but also year round.

"This is the busiest time of year. It's easy to be distracted and leave your vehicle unlocked or valuables in your car," says Deputy Chief Andrew Fletcher, Chair of the OACP Crime Prevention Committee. "Take extra time to lock it down."

The campaign is supported by partners that include GO Transit, and the Insurance Bureau of Canada - which is one reason why South Simcoe Police decided to hold their launch at the GO Transit Station in Bradford on Nov. 25.

Fletcher was joined by GO Transit Director of Safety and Security William Grodzinski, Cathy Clark - Manager of Emergency Management with the County of Simcoe, and officers and auxiliaries with South Simcoe Police. The launch involved checking every parked vehicle in the crowded lot, to ensure that they were locked, with no valuables in plain view.

A tag was placed on the vehicles checked, congratulating those who had taken precautions to ensure the security of their vehicles - or advising what safety precautions were neglected, and offering prevention tips to protect against theft.

Over the previous week, South Simcoe Police received 28 calls reporting vehicles entered and items taken, in both Innisfil and Bradford West Gwillimbury - "and those are the ones that are reporting something to police," said Deputy Chief Fletcher. "People park their car in the driveway unlocked, at least they're nearby.

Here (in the GO Station lot) there's no one watching."

The majority of vehicles checked were secure, with no valuables in view - but there were exceptions.

"There's two cars unlocked, back to back," Constable Rob Enwright noted out - both with valuable items left on the front seats, including a GPS and a cell phone charger. "It's a gift," Enwright said - to thieves.

"We know it's a busy time. There are lots of distractions," said Deputy Chief Fletcher, urging drivers to "just hit 'lock' on the key fob. Just get in the habit."

As for valuables left in plain view, "It just takes a second to tuck it under the seat," said PC Enwright.

Motorists are also urged not to keep personal documents, including vehicle ownership, insurance pink slips, credit card invoices or other documents containing personal information, in their vehicles. These can become the targets of identity thieves, who can use the documentation to assume identities, secure credit card accounts, lease vehicles for export, and even mortgage a victim's property, without their knowledge.

## Festive RIDE program underway

Ontario - The Festive RIDE program was launched Nov. 23, to run until Jan. 2 - and the OPP are already concerned.

"The statistics from the first 10 months of 2015 show a 3% increase in the number of incidents involving alcohol, on OPP-patrolled roads, despite awareness campaigns hammering home the 'If You Drink, Don't Drive' message.

As of Nov. 15, of the 258 fatalities on Ontario roads, 35 were attributed to alcohol consumption. Of the 136 people killed in ATV collisions, 16 were impaired by alcohol.

The number of cases of Impairment by drugs has also been on the rise, and this season will see the deployment of Drug Recognition officers with specialized training to detect impairment by drugs, as well as the standard sobriety tests and breath testing.

"So far this year, the OPP have laid over 6,800 alcohol and drug-related impaired driving charges. This is an unbelievable statistic," said Brad Blais, Deputy Commissioner, Provincial Commander of Traffic Safety and Operational Support. "There are many ways to get home after a party. Don't drink or do drugs

and drive - it's just not worth it. I encourage everyone to have a plan to get home before they get behind the wheel this holiday season.

OPP officers will be vigilant about stopping vehicles and finding drivers who are impaired by any means."

During last year's Festive RIDE Program, OPP charged 583 people with impaired-related charges, and suspended 485 drivers who registered a WARN.

Remember: Treat impaired driving as a crime in progress. If you see a suspected impaired driver, call 911 to report the vehicle, location, direction of travel and any other identifying information.

In South Simcoe, South Simcoe Police set up a RIDE checkpoint in north Innisfil on Nov. 25, stopping 215 vehicles. Three drivers were quickly arrested for Drug Possession (Marijuana). Nine drivers were asked to provide a roadside screening test, and three were issued suspensions for registering in the WARN Range. All three will lose the use of their licences and their vehicles, for at least three days. A reminder: South Simcoe Police will be out in full force over the holidays, looking for impaired drivers, and for drivers under the influence or in possession of narcotics.

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South Simcoe Police and volunteer elves launch the Stuff the Command Post toy drive.

## Stuffing the Command Post

### STAFF

From Nov. 27 through 29, the South Simcoe Police Mobile Command Post took on its once-a-year role. It became the centrepiece of the campaign to "Stuff the Command Post" – with toys.

The annual toy drive, held in partnership with CTV Barrie, set a goal of building a "Toy Mountain" for the children of families served by the Children's Aid Society of Simcoe County.

The Command Post was at the Canadian Tire Store in Bradford on Friday evening, the Walmart Supercentre in Bradford on Saturday, and the Alcona Sobeys store in Innisfil on Sunday – and officers, auxiliaries and

elves gratefully accepted donations from the public. By Sunday, the Command Post was nearly full, but donations kept coming in – including a box filled with hand-crocheted baby toys and hats, each marked with a size and age range.

People gave what they could, from the \$100 bill presented by an anonymous donor, to the child who gave 50 cents, to help ensure that kids in need will have a merry Christmas. "It's amazing what people give," said Constable Rob Enright.

By the end of the campaign, police had collected about \$3000 in gift cards, \$1070 in cash – and a mountain of toys.

## Pet photos with Santa



MURRAY KING/BRADFORD TIMES

Santa Claus and "Bailey" pose for a photo. Santa Claus took a break from his busy schedule to pose for "Pet Photos with Santa" on Nov. 29 – a fundraiser for local animal shelters, held at Pet Valu in Bradford.

## NOTICE OF SUBMISSION DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION REPORT

Detail Design for the Holland Drainage Canal Bridge Replacement on Highway 9  
(G.W.P. 2188-08-00)

### THE STUDY

The Ontario Ministry of Transportation (MTO) retained Stantec Consulting Ltd., to complete the Detail Design for the replacement of the Holland Drainage Canal Bridge on Highway 9, located in the Township of King, Regional Municipality of York, as shown on the key plan.

The project includes:

- Replacement of the Holland Drainage Canal Bridge on a new alignment approximately 10m north of the existing structure; and,
- Reconstruction of the bridge approaches on Highway 9 to accommodate the new structure.



Key Plan

### THE PROCESS

This project was carried out in accordance with the approved environmental planning process for Group 'B' undertakings under the MTO's Class Environmental Assessment (Class EA) for Provincial Transportation Facilities (1999, amended 2000), with the opportunity for public input throughout the project. The final design for the bridge replacement has not changed since the previous study that was documented in the Transportation Environmental Study Report Addendum, April 2013. A Design and Construction Report (DCR) has been prepared to document the final design, construction staging, environmental impacts and proposed mitigation measures for this project.

The DCR will be available from **December 3, 2015 to January 19, 2016** for a 45-day public review period and can be reviewed at the following locations during normal hours of operation:

#### Ministry of Transportation

**Central Region**  
Environmental Building  
159 Sir William Hearst Avenue, 3rd Floor  
Toronto, ON M3M 0B7  
Mon. to Fri.: 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

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### COMMENTS

Interested persons are encouraged to review the DCR and provide comments by **January 19, 2016**. If after this time no significant concerns have been identified, construction may commence subject to funding and approvals. The DCR is not eligible for a Part II Order (i.e. "bump-up" opportunity). If you have questions or comments please contact one of the Individuals identified below:

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Information will be collected in accordance with the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*. With the exception of personal information, all comments will become part of the public record.

# The queen of the giant vegetables

MIRIAM KING

Bradford Times

One of the highlights of the Royal Agricultural Winter Fair – at least, for those who live in or near the Holland Marsh – is the Giant Vegetable Show.

Local residents have excelled in growing oversized vegetables, breaking Royal records and occasionally, Guinness World Records.

Bradford's Howard Tizard has been a winner in the past; Lefroy's Radcliffe family, of Lakeview Gardens fame, has won with a giant onion and a world-record-breaking kale.

This year, King resident Joanne Borsok set a new mark, with a Record Best Root weighing 53.4 lbs. She also won the Len Rush Grand Champion Giant Vegetable Exhibitor Award, and the Royal Best Award – and trounced the competition in nearly every category.

Borsok, a life-long resident of the Holland Marsh, has been exhibiting in the Giant Vegetable Show for over a decade, encouraged to enter by the late Frank Weening, a great promoter of the Royal and a prize-winner with his own onion entries.

"Frank started me with the regular vegetables," she says – carrots, onions, and squash. She enjoyed the competition, but it didn't take long for her to become intrigued by the giant vegetables.

She remembers her first giant vegetable entries as something less than stellar. "The pumpkin was 80 lbs." – in a category that this year was won by a 1,398 lb. monster – and



Joanne Borsok of King Township, with squash and some of the Awards she won at the Royal Agricultural Winter Fair.

her giant cornstalk, she says, "that was pathetic. I just drove around, looking for taller stalks in the field – 'Oh, that could be a big one!'"

More recently, Borsok grew the tallest corn stalk grown in Ontario, at 26' 10" tall.

She has learned the tricks to growing the giants of the vegetable world. It starts with the seeds, but doesn't end there: the plants need a regular supply of water, protection from cold and wind, and plenty of room to grow. She has built temporary greenhouses to provide protection, and installed heaters to fight off the threat of frost.

Borsok has even driven for two hours, all the way to Fenelon Falls to get pollen for her giant pumpkin plant, when all of its flow-

ers were female only.

And it's become a family franchise. With the help of family members and Mexican guest workers, the Borsoks produced 80 varieties of squash this year, and trucked between five and nine loads of produce to the Royal Agricultural Winter Fair, for both vegetable and giant vegetable competitions.

It can be expensive. At that level of commitment and passion, Joanne and her family spend hundreds of dollars on entry fees at the Royal, and more on seeds. And she notes, "There is heartbreak when something happens," like a potentially prize-winning pumpkin splitting apart on the way to the show.

A member of the Giant Vegetable Growers of Ontario, Borsok is hoping to encourage others to

take up the challenge, and enter the Royal. "We want people to enter," she says, emphasizing that there's no need to go to extremes. "Let them start small, do two or three entries." All that is needed is the right seed, water, space, a little fertilizer every seven days, and patience.

"I like doing it. When you see it grow from seed, it's satisfaction!" Borsok says. "I love the Royal."

## Winners

Red/Violet Beets – 1st and a Royal Best – Joanne

Borsok (53.4 lbs.), 2nd – Karoly Borsok (24.4 lbs.), 3rd – Jennifer Borsok (23.8 lbs.), out of 7 entries.

Cabbage by Weight – 1st – Jennifer Borsok (51.6 lbs.), 2nd – Joanne Borsok (50.6 lbs.), 3rd – Norm Craven (43.4 lbs.), out of 8 entries.

Ornamental/Flowering Cabbage by Diam. – 1st – Joanne Borsok (1' 3"), 2nd – Karoly Borsok (1' 1")

Carrot Root by Length – 1st – Joanne Borsok (7' 9"), 2nd – Karoly Borsok (6' 2"), 3rd – Jennifer Borsok (6' 1")

Carrot Root by Weight – 1st – Chris Lyons (5.6 lbs.), 2nd – 330 McCowan Rd. (5.4 lbs.), 3rd – Joanne Borsok (4 lbs.), out of 5 entries.

Marrow by Weight – 1st – Harvest Acres (65.4 lbs.), 2nd – Harvest Acres (59.8 lbs.), Karoly Borsok (27 lbs.), 4th – Joanne Borsok (24.6 lbs.), 5 entries.

Parsnip Root by Length – 1st and a Royal Best – Joanne Borsok (8' 3"), 2nd – Karoly Borsok (8' 1"), 3rd – Jennifer Borsok (7' 8") out of 4 entries.

Parsnip Root by Weight – 1st – Norm Craven (8 lbs.), 2nd – Joanne Borsok (7.6 lbs.), 3rd – Jennifer Borsok (6.8 lbs.) out of 4 entries.

Potato by Weight – 1st – Joanne Borsok (5.2 lbs), 2nd – Rebecca Mercer (3.8 lbs), 3rd – Frank J. Hendy (3.6 lbs), out of 4 entries.

Giant Onion by Weight – 1st – Joanne Borsok (2.6 lbs), 2nd – tied West Deane Farms, Betty Craven (1.6 lbs), 3rd – Norm Craven (1.4 lbs), out of 5 entries.

Sunflower Head by Diam. – 1st – Karoly Borsok (1' 7"), 2nd – Joanne Borsok (1' 6.5"), 3rd – Norm Craven (1' 2.5")

Kale/Collard by Height – 1st – Norm Craven (8' 8"), 2nd – Betty Craven (7' 8.5")

Kohlrabi by Wt. – 1st and a Royal Best – Joanne Borsok (51.4 lbs), 2nd – Karoly Borsok (42.4 lbs), 3rd – Rebecca Mercer (41.4 lbs), out of 5 entries.

Rutabaga by Wt. – 1st – Chris Lyons (53.4 lbs), 2nd – Karoly Borsok (50.8 lbs.), 3rd – Joanne Borsok (49 lbs), 4th – Jennifer Borsok (41.8 lbs), out of 10 entries.

Turnip by Wt. – 1st – Joanne Borsok (18.8 lbs) – Corn Stalk by height – 1st – Joanne Borsok (18' 4"), 2nd – Karoly Borsok (14' 1"), 3rd – Betty Craven (12' 4.75"), out of 4 entries.

Sunflower Stalk by height – 1st – Joanne Borsok (14' 7"), 2nd Karoly Borsok (13' 9")

Royal Giant Pumpkin Challenge – 1st – Chris Lyons (1,398.6 lbs), 2nd – 330 McCowan Rd. (1,315 lbs), 3rd – Norm Kyle (1055.2 lbs), 4th – Harry Kyle (1008.8 lbs), 5th – Joanne Borsok (915 lbs)

## 4-H Dairy Classic

The TD Canadian 4-H Dairy Classic at the Royal Agricultural Winter Fair attracted hundreds of young competitors from across Ontario, and as far away as Quebec and P.E.I. Congratulations to members of the South Simcoe 4-H Club, who

placed in the top 25 at the prestigious show.

Megan Ford placed 7th in Jr. Showmanship; her calf, Kingsway Goldwyn Druwin placed 15th in Intermediate Holstein Calf conformation.

Rachel Stephenson placed 25th in Senior

Showmanship.

Leo O'Hara placed 14th in Sr. Holstein Heifer conformation with his calf Kailea McCutcheon Letty.

Jack Lange placed 22nd in Sr. Holstein Heifer conformation with Langlands Atwood Melanie.



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Giant Beet root grown by Joanne Borsok at the Royal Agricultural Winter Fair in Toronto on Nov. 11.

## Getting creative, with the Bond Head-Bradford Garden Club

### BRADFORD TIMES STAFF

The Bond Head & Bradford Garden Club held its AGM and Awards Night on November 26 – but first, members learned all about creating Christmas centrepieces to accent the holiday table, but low enough to allow for conversation among guests seated around the table. She also created a contemporary accent piece, ideal for a side table, using a limited number of floral elements in a sculptural arrangement.

The designs were simple, elegant, and easy to put together in just minutes – and all used natural greenery and fresh flowers. “Fresh flowers are very warm,” Barolet told members. “Don’t use artificial... Remember, repetition of colour makes for a good design, repetition of form makes a good design.”

And she told the group there’s no need to break the budget. Inexpensive flowers, greenery and vines called from the garden, dollar store vases could all be put together to create stunning and



MIRIAM KING/BRADFORD TIMES/POSTMEDIA NETWORK

Past president of the Alliston Horticultural Society, Letty Barolet creates a unique centerpiece using a large piece of bark as the base, at the November meeting of the Bond Head Bradford Garden Club in Bradford.

### festive designs.

The evening included the presentation of Awards, won at the Club's Flower Shows: Scottishbank Annuals Award: Gladys Fieldhouse Ferngine Greenhouses Perennials Award: Gladys Fieldhouse Bradford Greenhouses Garden Gallery Arrangements award - Giselle Gutschke, Sherry Morow Royal Bank Vegetable Award: Marilynne Williams Best Rose: Sonia Vasevans Best Design-June Show: Sherry Morow Best Exhibit Class "B": Maureen Evans

Best Design-Fall Show, in Memory of Fred Gutschke: Sherry Morow

Best Exhibit Class "A to D" September Show: Gladys Fieldhouse

Best Exhibit Class "F" September Show: Maureen Evans

Trophy for Most Points: Gladys Fieldhouse

The AGM concluded with an invitation to the final event of 2015 – the Christmas Potluck Dinner for members and their guests, December 10 at the Danube Seniors Leisure Centre in Bradford, at 6 p.m. The new executive will be installed at the final meeting.

## Fall community tree-planting days in Bradford

### MIRIAM KING

Bradford Times

For years, South Simcoe Streams Network's Silvia Pedrazzi has been leading community work days, restoring natural vegetation along creeks and rivers, including the valleylands of Bradford's Fraser Creek.

Last week, a series of final Fall Work Days were held in Bradford – largely on the west bank of the creek, where only a handful of trees have been planted to date, and needs and weeds cover the valley floor.

By the end of day on Nov. 17, volunteers, most of them from local high schools, including Nantyr Shores Secondary School in Innisfil and Holy Trinity Catholic High School in Bradford, had planted 500 trees.

The planting area, accessed from Angela Ave., required some preparation before the students could grab their shovels and potted cedars. Pedrazzi brought in heavy equipment, to remove an abandoned silt barrier which had become embedded in the soil, and to provide a number of holes for the



MIRIAM KING/BRADFORD TIMES

Grade 9 students from Holy Trinity Catholic High School participate in a South Simcoe Streams Network community work party, planting trees on Tuesday Nov. 17.

native trees and shrubs.

The tree-planting program is winding up for the fall. With lower temperatures and severe weather in the long-range forecast, South Simcoe

Streams Network has only a handful of community work days left on the calendar – but will be back, and looking for more volunteers, in the spring.

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# A team approach, at CoCo Mortgage

MIRIAM KING  
Bradford Times

Mortgage broker Maggie Cohen and Mortgage Agent Stephen Codsli worked for the same company, before they decided to work together, creating CoCo Mortgage. The name was a combination of Cohen and Codsli - "and then we decided to do a little play on words with the logo, a cup of cocoa," says Maggie - emphasizing the idea of comfort and ease, at home.

And if the name conjures up images of another CoCo

there's nothing wrong with that, she says. "Coco Chanel, you can't go wrong!"

CoCo Mortgage held its grand opening on Nov. 24, in the "very historic building" at 22 Barrie St., noted Bradford West Gwillimbury Mayor Rob Keffer. "It's good to see it in this use."

Mayor Keffer, accompanied by Deputy Mayor James Leduc, and Councillors Ron Orr, Gary Baynes and Peter Ferragine, presented a plaque congratulating Cohen and her team on their initiative, and cut a red ribbon to

open the offices.

"We're so pleased to be here," the mayor said. "We really want to pay tribute to you. This is a very big step... We're just so proud that you're opening up in downtown Bradford."

"It's been a long time coming," said Cohen. "I'm just really excited to be part of the community - just helping people with mortgages. We've got a great team behind us."

CoCo Mortgage, 22 Barrie St., contact 647-792-7911 or [maggie@cocomortgage.ca](mailto:maggie@cocomortgage.ca).



MIRIAM KING/BRADFORD TIMES

Mayor Rob Keffer, holding scissors, joins Mortgage Broker Maggie Cohen and the team of CoCo Mortgage, supporters, and Town Councillors at the grand opening in Bradford.

## Lunch and Learn

The Bradford Board of Trade and Nottawasaga Futures present a free Lunch & Learn - lunch, and a presentation on

the town's Community Improvement Plan, its financial incentives, and how to get on board. At the Bradford Public Library's

Zima Room on Monday, Dec. 7, from noon to 2 p.m., 425 Holland St. West. Please RSVP to 1-800-509-7554 or [robin@nottawasaga.com](mailto:robin@nottawasaga.com).

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Cutting the ribbon at the grand re-opening of The Co-operators, from left - Councillor Gary Baynes, Caterina Barbuto, Angela McMunn, John Pannan (back), Mylea Rob Keffer with scissors, Cecile Fournier, Lorrie Poirier, Deputy Mayor James Leduc and Councillor Ron Orr.

## A grand re-opening for The Co-operators

MIRIAM KING  
Bradford Times

With a window decorated for Christmas in The Co-operators' signature blue and white, treats and a warm welcome, insurance and financial advisor Lorrie Poirier and her team held a grand re-opening for the company, at its new offices located at 442 Holland St. West.

Tucked into the West Park Plaza (near Hakim Optical), The Co-operators offers a range of insurance products and financial advice. The grand re-opening on Nov. 28 was an opportunity to familiarize cli-

ents with the new location and new look, and provide information on the range of products and services available.

Among those attending on Saturday was Bradford West Gwillimbury Mayor Rob Keffer, who told Poirier, "We're very appreciative of businesses that succeed (in Bradford)" offering "great customer service." "I'm super excited," said Poirier, who is new to the Bradford area. "I chose to come to Bradford... I'm so excited about the growth potential. I'm looking forward to what we'll be able to do."

Keffer, accompanied by Councillors Gary Baynes, Ron

Orr and Peter Ferragine, and Deputy Mayor James Leduc, helped cut a blue and white Co-operators ribbon to officially open the new office, then enjoyed a slice of cake with staff.

For more information on The Co-operators, call 905-779-1661, toll-free 1-877-338-2967, or email [lorrie\\_poirier@cooperators.ca](mailto:lorrie_poirier@cooperators.ca) - or drop in, at 442 Holland St. W.

Just a note: The Bradford office is an official drop-off point for the Paramedics of Simcoe County Toy Drive, and will also accept donations of non-perishable food for the Helping Hand Food Bank.



# Santa's Corner

**BRADFORD TIMES STAFF**  
**Celebrate Christmas** at the BWG Leisure Centre, 471 West Park Ave. in Bradford, on Friday, December 4 from 6 to 8:30 p.m. Tree-lighting ceremony and Carol Sing with Council and Santa at 6 p.m., outdoors in Sunshine Square, with free hot chocolate - followed by free leisure skating at 6:40 p.m., and seasonal crafts and free photos with Santa Claus upstairs in the Multi-purpose room!

The Bond Head Lions host **Breakfast with Santa**, from 8:30 a.m. to noon on Saturday, December 5 at the Bond Head Community Hall, on County Rd. 27. \$5 for adults, \$3 for children - Santa will be there! Bring your camera. Upstairs in the hall, enjoy the **Lions' Christmas Craft & Bake Sale** from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., with over 25 vendors.

The BWG Events Group is partnering with **Riveridge Dental** for its **3rd Annual Toy Drive**, taking place Saturday, December 5, at Zehr's Market, 500 Holland St. W. in Bradford, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Help build a "mountain

of toys" for the Children's Aid Society of Simcoe County, and the families it serves. Includes face-painting, Minions, The Chipmunks, live entertainment, a visit from Santa and Mrs. Claus, and more.

**Schomberg's Main Street Christmas** takes place December 5, from 3 p.m. to 9 p.m. Craft Show and Sale in the Community Hall, daytime Santa Claus Parade at 4 p.m., and night-time illuminated Farmers' Parade of Lights at 8 p.m. Street entertainers, roasting chestnuts, hot chocolate, hot apple cider, caroussels and more! Shuttle buses available from the Trisun Centre and Brownsville Plaza.

Duch Treas, 15 Holland St. East in Bradford, welcomes **Sinterklaas and Zwarte Piet** on Saturday, December 5 from 1 to 3 p.m. There will be treats for all good little boys and girls.

The Cookstown Antique Market, on County Rd. 27 just north of Cookstown, hosts its annual **Christmas Christmas** sale and event, December 5 and 6, from 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Beautifully-decorated live

Christmas trees, refreshments and sweet & savoury treats in a Victorian setting. Bring a donation of an unwrapped toy, non-perishable food item or cash for the Salvation Army, receive 10% off your purchases. Facebook group **We**

**Grew Up or Live in Bradford** **West Gwillimbury** holds a **Christmas Food Drive**, to Dec. 12. Drop off donations of non-perishable food at Times Designs Custom Embroidery at 157 Holland St. East, from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Mon. to Fri., and 9 a.m. to noon on Sat. for the Helping Hand Food Bank.

Decorators Edge Benjamin Moore, at 284 Holland St. West, is once again holding a **Toy Drive**. Help fulfill the wishes of local families, and make kids smile this holiday season.

There is still time to contribute to the **County of Simcoe Paramedics Toy Drive**, and drop off donations of new unwrapped toys and gently-used clothing at the Ambulance Station, 170 Artesian Industrial Parkway, until December 16.

**Christmas Post & Present at the Simcoe County Museum**



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The annual Bradford Lions Club's Breakfast with Santa, held upstairs at the Bradford Community Centre on Nov. 28, was an opportunity to visit with Santa Claus, enjoy breakfast served up by the Lions, and raise funds for the Helping Hand Food Bank.

1151 Hwy. 26 (north of Barrie), December 10 and 11 from 6 to 9 p.m. Carolling, sleigh rides, illuminated walks, holiday treats, one-of-a-kind gifts by local Artists, and a visit to the workshop of Father Christmas! Admission is free donation, in support of the Friends of the Simcoe County Museum. Bring a Toy for the County of Simcoe Paramedics' Toy Drive.

**Calling all volunteer knitters!** St. Catherine of Alexandria Catholic Church is looking for volunteers to knit

children's hats and mittens to donate to charity, during the Christmas season. The items will first be used to decorate St. Catherine's Christmas tree, creating a Tree of Warmth showcasing the knitters' skill, and generosity. If you have needles, wool or yarn and a big heart, this is a great opportunity to "give back." Items can be dropped off at St. Catherine's, 56 Heam St. in Bond Head, on Sundays between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. For additional drop-off times, please call Donna, 905-

775-6144.

**Charles Dickens' A Christmas Carol**, presented by the Humber River Shakespeare Company at the McMichael Canadian Art Collection in Kleinburg, Sunday, December 13 at 1:30 p.m. This is also Family Sunday at the gallery, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Create seasonal ornaments, and write your holiday wish for the world on a piece of seed paper, to add to the McMichael Wish Tree. Included is the price of gallery admission.

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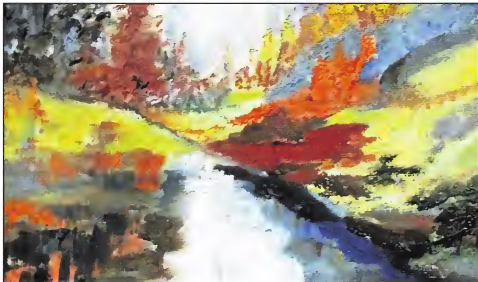
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The current art show at the Bradford Public Library features works by Fatima Pereira, including this Expressionist landscape - and by Michelle Essler.

# It's the arts...

**BRADFORD TIMES STAFF**  
**28 Artists...** a show by Members of the South Simcoe Arts Council, at The Gibson Centre, 63 Tupper St. West in Alliston, continues to Dec. 22. Featuring paintings, photography and collage by artists like Bradford West Gwillimbury's Kathryn Bury, Jana Caissie, Angie Horsley and Stella Marcella Godbout, Maggie Grace and Leonora Huvet-Frenette.

**That December Show** - **Peter Pan-to**, South Simcoe Theatre's Christmas Pantomime for all ages,

is at the Olde Town Hall Theatre, 1 Hamilton St. in Cookstown, Dec. 3-13. Tickets \$18 per person, for performances at 7 p.m. on Thurs. and Fri., 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. on Sat. and 2 p.m. on Sun. See [www.southsimcoetheatre.com](http://www.southsimcoetheatre.com) for information, or call 705-458-4432 for tickets. Boo the villains! Cheer the good guys!

Bradford's **Musical Motion Performing Arts Studio** presents a Holiday Show at the Stephen Leacock Theatre on Saturday, Dec. 5, at 3 p.m. Tickets are \$15 per person - now on sale at MIMPA, 150

or 160 Artesian Industrial Parkway, 905-778-0440.

The **Innspirit Choir** - the combined choirs of Churchill, Gilford, Lefroy and Stroud United Churches - performs **Innspirit of Christmas**, an afternoon of seasonal music on Sunday, Dec. 6 at 2 p.m., at Churchill United Church in Innisfil. Special young musicians and guest storytellers will participate. Admission is an item of non-perishable food or free-will offering.

The McMichael Canadian Art Collection in Kleinburg presents **For Every Season** - four galleries, each dedicated to one of the seasons, featuring paintings by Emily Carr, Clarence Gagnon, David Milne, Lauren Harris, J.E.H. MacDonald and others. A unique show that connects with the natural landscape (woodlands and Humber River Valley) surrounding the McMichael. The exhibit continues to January 2016.

Also, **This House Was Made for Christmas**, a display of Christmas Cards by Canadian artists; and **Family Sunday** on Dec. 13 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., an opportunity to create seasonal ornaments, and watch A Christmas Carol by the Humber River Shakespeare Company, free

with admission.

## Calling all artists...

The annual Bradford West Gwillimbury Studio Art Tour is looking for participants, for the 2016 self-directed tour of home studios and Town facilities, that will take place Sept. 16-18, 2016, in partnership with the South Simcoe Arts Council. To participate, artists and artisans must ensure that all works are original (not from kits or commercial molds) and agree to sell only their own works. Guest Artists can be housed at a studio. Artists wishing to show at a town facility (in the past, the Bradford Library Zima Room) should indicate such on the application. Entrance fee is \$100, payable by cheque, VISA or Mastercard; the fee will be returned if the work is not accepted. It is important that participants opening their homes to the public have proof of liability insurance (recommended \$2 million), for their own protection and that of visitors. For more information, contact [info@southsimcoartsociety.com](mailto:info@southsimcoartsociety.com), phone 705-435-2378, or see [www.bwgsstudioartour.ca](http://www.bwgsstudioartour.ca). Entry forms are available online, and must be submitted by Feb. 29, 2016.

## GMHL Report

**GMHL RATTLES**  
 The Bradford Rattlers were in tough against the first-place Alliston Coyotes on Sunday, on the losing end of a 4-2 score - breaking the Rattlers' three-game winning streak. Despite the loss, goalie Brad Hampton had a stellar performance, making 39 saves. Finding the back of the net were Khasan Al Dzhlali, and Nicholas Lang. Game was closer than the score suggests: Alliston's fourth goal was an empty-netter.

Next up for the Rattlers - a game vs. the Tottenham Steam, a team that has lost just one game this entire season. Puck drop is Dec. 6 at 7:30 p.m., at the BWG Leisure Centre.

Meanwhile, the Rattlers have been hit hard with injuries, with five regulars out of the line-up. Rasmus Brunnberg returned to Sweden this week, after discovering a broken bone in his hand, and Finnish Defenceman Emil Bagger has also returned to Europe, to rehab a nagging shoulder injury. Also on the injured list - defenceman Hugo Wilhelmsson, Capt. Devon Fullum, and rookie sensation Egor Kurbatov. Management has brought back former Captain Josh Willenborg, to fix the

shortage, his 3rd season with the Rattlers. Last season, Willenborg had 43 points with the Rattlers (7G,36A) in 41 games.

## GMHL BULLS

The Bradford Bulls faced the hometown Oshawa Riverkings on Monday night, and the Riverkings took advantage of several misdeeds to hand the visiting Bulls their third straight loss. Final score was 6-5 for Oshawa, including the game-winner with just 22 seconds left on the clock.

In fact, Oshawa scored 4 of its 6 goals within the first and last minute of each period. The Riverkings had taken a 2-0 lead in the 1st, before the Bulls responded with three unanswered goals to take a 3-2 lead - widening the lead to 4-2 in the second, before the Riverkings tied it up. Bulls' scoring by Tyler Quintos, Xander Botha, Greg Wilson, Liam Finn and Josh Brumton. Yamato Ogawa made 40 saves in net.

Dec. 2, the team will face division-leading Alliston, at the Bob Falls Sports Centre, heading to Orangeville on Sunday, then returning for their next Home Game in Bradford on Dec. 9 against the Shelburne Sharks, 8 p.m. puck drop. Tickets are \$7 adults, \$5 for ages 7-17, free for kids 6 and under.

# BWG minor hockey results

## MINOR PEEWE E A

Nov. 25, Bradford Bulldogs - 4, Markham - 4. Scoring by Nathan Pare from Brian Mott; Anthony Nascento from Matthew Boughner; and a pair by Isaiah Drummond, from Christian Campoli, Anthony Girgenti and Evan Drummond. Super netminding from Ryan Somerville.

Nov. 28, Bradford Bulldogs - 4, East Gwillimbury - 0. Nathan Pare with 2, from Anthony Girgenti and Darcy Mott; singles by Evan Drummond from Gianmarco Bruni, and Davis Frederick from Tanner Hueglin and Matt. Matthew

Armaral, with this second shutout of the season!

## MINOR BANTAM A

Nov. 21, Orillia - 2, Bradford Bulldogs - 1. Goals by Dodge/Andrew Marshall Century 21 - 1. Lone goal by Cole Takacs.

Nov. 22, Bradford - 2, East Gwillimbury - 2. Scoring by Jack Peterke from Owen Hodges/Caleb Booth; and Jackson Carruthers from Peterke.

Nov. 28, Bradford - 2, Noblekling - 1. Goals by Ryan Jensen from Thomas King and Cole Takacs from Jensen. Super goalkeeping by Caleb Garbe and Ryan Kiernan in November's games.

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# Community Listings

## FRI., NOV. 27

**STUFF A COMMAND POST:** South Simcoe Police Toy Drive for the Children's Aid Society of Simcoe County, from 4 to 9 p.m. at the Canadian Tire Store on Holland St. West. Also, Saturday, Nov. 28 at Walmart in Bradford from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and on Sunday, Nov. 29 at the Alcona Boscios in Innisfil.

## WINE & CHEESE GALA:

At Lakeside Retirement residence, 985 Innisfil Beach Rd. from 5:30 to 4 p.m. Please RSVP at 705-431-8105.

## SAT., NOV. 28

**BWG LOCAL HISTORY ASSOCIATION MEETS:** At the Bradford Public Library, 425 Holland St. West in Bradford, 2 p.m. Guest Speaker: Rev. Daniel Graves of Trinity Anglican Church will talk about Rev. Featherstone Osler in West Gwillimby.

**CHURCHILL UNITED CHURCH CHRISTMAS BAZAAR:** Home-baking, Christmas decorations, wood carving, jewellery, hand-made cards, crocheted hats, and a Tea Room at the church on Yonge St. in Innisfil. Bring a new pair of mitts or socks for the needy, and be entered in a draw for a Gift Basket.

**PROCVON WILDLIFE CHRISTMAS SALE:** A fundraiser for the care and rehabilitation of orphaned and injured wildlife, at the Tottenham Community Centre from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Over 20 vendors. Bring a photo of your pet and artist Anna Paszterko will create a Pet Portraits.

**BRADFORD LIONS BREAKFAST WITH SANTA:** Upstairs at the Bradford Community Centre, 125 Simcoe Rd., from 8 to 10 a.m. \$5 for adults, free for kids under 12, with a donation of non-perishable food for the food bank. Santa will be there bring your camera!

**FESTIVITIES WITH FRIENDS:** At the Stroud Library in Innisfil, 10:30 a.m. - drop in for Christmas storytime, crafts,

treats and a visit with Santa!

**PEROGY DINNER:** St. Michael's Ukrainian Orthodox Church, 721 Simcoe Rd. in Bradford, hosts a fundraising dinner of Perogies, Sausage, Meat-on-a-stick, salad and Dessert, 5:00-8:14. Tickets at the door.

## SUN., NOV. 29

### INNISFIL SANTA CLAUS PARADE:

Starts 1:30 p.m. at 25 Vanderwood and Innisfil Beach Rd., and travels westward. For info see: [icccop.org](http://icccop.org)

**BREAKFAST WITH SANTA:** At the Innisfil Lions Hall, 982 Innisfil Beach Road, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Pancake Breakfast, with scrambled eggs, bacon, coffee, tea or juice, only \$5. Kids can make crafts, have their faces painted, shop in the Santa's Secret Store and meet Santa Claus. Donations of non-perishable food for the Innisfil Food Bank are welcomed.

**PET PHOTO WITH SANTA:** At Pet Valu in Bradford, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Cost is \$10 for a 5" by 7" photo of your pet with Santa Claus. proceeds will go to local animal shelters.

## FRI., DEC. 4

**BWG CELEBRATES CHRISTMAS:** Treelighting at 6 p.m. at the BWG Leisure Centre's Sunshine Square, with Caroling, free hot chocolate and Santa. Indoors, enjoy free leisure skating at 6:40 p.m., seasonal crafts, and free photos with Santa Claus in the multipurpose room.

**ROAST BEEF DINNER:** At Trinity Anglican Church, 62 Church St. in Bradford, 4:30-7 p.m. \$18 adults, \$10 for ages 10 and under. For tickets call 905-775-3134 or 905-853-8170.

**TREE-LIGHTING IN ALCONA:** Alcona Fire Station hosts its annual Tree-lighting and visit from Santa, 7 p.m. Refreshments. Bring a camera to take photos with Santa Claus.

## WANT YOUR EVENT INCLUDED? SEND US YOUR INFO

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E-mail listings to [barrie.news@sunmedia.ca](mailto:barrie.news@sunmedia.ca). Deadline for inclusion in Thursday's paper is Tuesdays at 10 a.m. Listings of 50 words or less must be sent as a text document or in the body of an e-mail.

## SAT., DEC. 5

**LEFROY UNITED CHURCH BAZAAR:** 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., at LeFroy United Church and the Grange Hall. Home-made Christmas gifts, Bake Table, Lunch Room, raffle, Penny Table, and a magnificent Quilt Show by the local quilters.

**BOND HEAD LIONS BREAKFAST WITH SANTA & CRAFT SHOW:** Breakfast with Santa at the Bond Head Community Hall from 8:30 a.m. to noon, only \$5 per person, \$3 for children. Santa Claus will be there! Upstairs in the Hall, enjoy the Lions' Christmas Craft & Bake Sale, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., with over 25 vendors!

**INNISFIL ROTARY LIGHTS & WISHES:** A fundraiser for the YMCA, at the Innisfil Recreation Complex, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Ride on the Rotary Candyland Express train, make crafts, enjoy music, bid on the Silent Auction, buy a light for the tree with a donation to the Y. Professional Photos with Santa for a \$5 donation.

**TREE-LIGHTING IN STROUD:** Stroud Firefighters hold their annual Tree-lighting and visit with Santa, 7 p.m. at the Fire Station. All welcome.

## SUN., DEC. 6

**MUSIC:** Rev up your Christmas spirit with an afternoon of music, and readings organized by the United Church of Innisfil - Churchill, Gifford, LeFroy and Stroud - featuring voices and talents of Innisfil's young and old. It takes place at Churchill United Church on Sunday, Dec. 6 beginning at 2 p.m. Admission includes a food item or cash donation to Christmas For Kids. Light refreshments will be served after the performance. Come, come, all and be ready to be amazed.

## MEETINGS

**AL-ANON:** Meets Wednesdays, 8 p.m. Holy Martyrs of Japan Church Basement, 167 Essa St. in Bradford. For more information, [www.al-anon.alateen.org](http://www.al-anon.alateen.org), [www.al-anon.org](http://www.al-anon.org) or call 1-888-4A1-ANON.

**SPEAK FOR SUCCESS YOUTH-SIMCOE TORMASTERS:** Meets every 2nd, 4th and 5th Tues. of the month, 7-9 p.m. at the BWG Leisure Centre, 471 West Park Ave., upstairs in the Multi purpose room. All welcome. [www.speakersuccess.org](http://www.speakersuccess.org)

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## BDHS Arts Night

Bradford District High School hosts its Annual Arts Night - a celebration of the arts, including Visual, Dance, Drama, Instrumental music and Voice - on Thursday, Dec.

10 at the school on Professor Day Drive. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Admission is \$5 per person, \$20 per family, for a fundraiser for the Arts at the secondary school.

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Marie Conceicao won Gold in Level 4 Speech Arts & Drama; teacher Jeanette Martin.

Liza Davidenko won Gold in Level 3 Piano; teacher Tatiana Davidenko.

Jennifer Reitzel won Gold in Level 10 Voice; teacher Irene Illic.

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# More collisions on Bradford roads

MIRIAM KING

Bradford Times

Those who think traffic in Bradford is out of control, and that collisions are on the rise now have proof that their concerns are real.

The seventh annual Allstate Canada Safe Driving Study found that Bradford has gone from 35th on the list of 81 municipalities studied in 2013, with only 4.75 collision claims per 100 vehicles, to 65th out of

81 in 2015 - with 6.13 claims per 100 vehicles, a 29% increase.

In fact, collisions are on the rise across Canada, according to the study. In Ontario alone, there has been an 8.4% increase in claims.

Allstate found that the three most common types of collisions are vehicles being rear-ended (25.17%), collisions while turning or passing through an intersection (23.54%) and collisions involving parked vehicles (13.57%).

In Bradford, drivers attempting to make it through an intersection on the red light, or make a left turn in front of through traffic, can be blamed for some of the increase - but Staff Sgt. Steve Wilson notes that rapid growth is also a "driver" of the rise in collisions.

"With significant growth throughout Simcoe County, we are seeing an increase in traffic volume on all our roadways," says Staff Sgt. Wilson. "More cars result in more collisions.

We are also seeing an increase in the number of traffic-related complaints (speeding, running stop signs) we receive."

Weather is a factor in some collisions. "We do experience a higher number of collisions during inclement weather," Wilson says. "Many of these crashes can be attributed to drivers not adjusting their driving according to the road and weather conditions. It is important to remember that speed limits are established for ideal

driving conditions. When conditions are less than ideal, drivers should be slowing down."

Drivers are reminded to:

- Leave space: don't follow too closely; you never know when you may need to brake quickly, especially at night or when visibility is poor.

- Check your mirrors, to ensure there is plenty of space around you - and check your blind spot before changing lanes.

- Slow down. You won't save

any time, if speeding leads to a collision. Running a red light is taking a chance - with your life, and the lives of others.

- Share the road. Be aware not only of the vehicle ahead, but parked cars, pedestrians, cyclists, etc.

- Be a safe driver. Give the road your undivided attention. Keep your eyes on the road, your hands on the wheel, and your cell phone stowed away. And never drive while impaired, by drugs or alcohol.

## A different kind of Christmas party

MIRIAM KING

Bradford Times

At this time of year, most kids are dreaming of presents, or writing letters to Santa, filled with their Christmas wishes.

Not 10-year-old Parker, or his siblings Brooke, 8, Reid, 4,

and Chase, 3.

For the past three years, they've been thinking about ways to share the Christmas season with families in need.

With the help and encouragement of parents Andy and Euan Davern, the kids have invited schoolmates, team-

mates, family members and friends to a Christmas Party with a difference - asking guests not to exchange gifts, but to bring an unwrapped toy or non-perishable food item to help others.

"We just thought everyone should have a chance to have

something under the Christmas tree," says Parker - not only toys, but food for the holidays.

"And it would be fun for all our friends," Brooke adds.

With the kids' "in every sport and activity" offered in town, and attending different schools, there's a big pool

to draw on, and the event has generally attracted 150 to 200 invited guests. Cindy says, "For the first three years, the Christmas Party was held at Kidzery Indoor Playground; now that her children are getting older, the party has been moved to The Underground Bowl, in

Bradford.

So, on Nov. 29, there were snacks and treats, crafts, face-painting and a visit from Santa, along with blackout bowling, "like a birthday party, for people who need it," notes Cindy - an idea that put big smiles on her children's faces.

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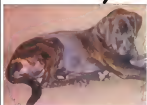
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The family of the late Julia Kaplusk-Saravien wish to express our heartfelt gratitude to all of our relatives and friends for your generous and caring gestures expressed through condolences, flowers and donations after the passing of our dearly loved Mother, Baba & Sister.

Our deep appreciation to Matthews House Hospice in Alliston for the compassion shown to Julia.

We wish to thank Fr. Allyn Rose for his comforting words, the C.W.L. for providing the honour guard and the lovely luncheon.

Thanks is also extended to Nancy Matys, the church choir and granddaughter Genia for sharing their gift of music.  
And also, deep appreciation to the Skwarczuk Funeral Home for providing guidance and support when it was needed most.  
We say farewell to our beautiful Mom and thank you Mom, for your unconditional love. You are gone, but will never be forgotten. May you rest peacefully and may God hold you in the palm of His hand.  
Sincerely, Judy, Linda, Susie, Zita, Mike and Families

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In Memoriams

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**PIRRITANO, Anne Mary** - Peacefully passed away at Southlake Regional Health Centre, Newmarket on Tuesday, November 24, 2015. Anne (nee Skabernicki) of Bradford at 68 years of age. Beloved wife of Antonio, Lewis (late Bob) of Frank (Lentini) Mike (Liza) and Liz (Paul). Proud grandma of Tony, Frank Jr.; Ben, Abby; and Matthew Anne. Dear sister of Betty (Paul) Makaruk, Gloria (late Bob) and Marilyn (Gord) Woolhead. Anne will also be fondly remembered by her nieces and nephews. At Anne's request, private family arrangements will be held.

**ZIEL, Anton** - Peacefully passed away at Matthews House Hospice, Alliston on Saturday, November 28, 2015. Anton Ziel of Bradford at 80 years of age. Beloved husband of late Hilde, Loving dad of late Juergen Ziel and Diane (Dave) Ziel. Friends called at SKWARCZUK FUNERAL HOME, Bradford for visitation on Tuesday, December 1, 2015 from 12 noon until the time of a funeral service at 1 p.m. followed by cremation. In Anton's memory, donations may be made to Matthews House Hospice.

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